

Claims

I claim:

1. A hollow frustoconical structure of circular right section with respect to its longitudinal axis, said structure having ends which are defined by rounded or straight edges concentric with said longitudinal axis and which lie in planes perpendicular to said axis, such as to enable standing the structure upright on the smaller end in stable equilibrium and a closure member at the smaller end situated inwardly from the rounded or straight edge forming a bottom for the structure to enable using the structure as a receptacle when set down upon its smaller end, means detachably connecting the bottom to the wall of the structure inwardly of said rounded or straight edge to enable removing the bottom so that the structure may be used for a megaphone and said smaller end of the structure being consistent in diameter with the diameter of the mouthpiece of a conventional megaphone.
2. A hollow, elongate, one-piece structure molded of polyolefin, said structure having a tapering side wall symmetrically with respect to its longitudinal axis and being truncated at its smaller end in a plane perpendicular to said axis such that the edge of the side wall at the smaller end serves as a base for supporting the structure in an upright position of stable equilibrium, said edge being smoothly rounded or straight, an end wall at the smaller end situated inwardly of the plane of said smoothly rounded edge integrally connected to the side wall of the structure, said end wall forming a bottom for the structure when set upright on its truncated end to enable using the structure as a receptacle, a portion of reduced thickness connecting the end wall to the side wall of the structure of sufficient strength to withstand pressure on the bottom when the structure is filled with liquid, but frangible enough to enable detaching it from the side wall inwardly of the rounded edge by applying a force perpendicular to the bottom to open the smaller end without modifying the rounded end structure of the side wall at the smaller end as a mouthpiece for using the structure as a megaphone and wherein the smaller end is of a diameter consistent with the mouthpiece of a conventional magaphone.

Description

BACKGROUND OF INVENTION

Frustoconical containers comprised of plastic, stiff paperboard, or the like have been made for many purposes heretofore; however, such structures as are known are manufactured for holding liquid or for filtering or funneling purposes. The structure herein disclosed is for the multiple purpose of serving, on the one hand, as a container for holding liquids or solids such as beverages, ice cream, popcorn, potato chips and the like and, on the other hand, following emptying, for use as a megaphone. This multiple use is especially attractive to concessionaries for the sale of beverages, ice cream, popcorn, potato chips and the like.